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	P01	5609627	1997-03-11		Goicoechea et al.	128	898
	P02	5716393	1998-02-10		Lindenberg et al.	623	1
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under section 1.114. Nevertheless, if any fee is due with the submission of this IDS, please charge the additional fee to deposit account 22-0350. The instant application, filed November 20, 1998 (after the issuance of US 5716393, cited herein), claims priority as a continuation-in-part from an application filed August 3, 1995. On its face, US 5716393 is not prior art to the subject matter from the parent application. Nevertheless, out of an abundance of caution, Applicant requests that US 5716393 be treated as prior art as to all pending claims unless or until the Applicant confirms that he was unaware of the subject matter thereof prior to his invention date of the subject matter from the parent application.

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